



Motorcycle Safety: A Brief Look



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Motorcycle Registration

- **To register a motorcycle or moped at Fort Lewis you need a valid motorcycle license from either Washington State or any other state, and completion of an Army-approved motorcycle course.**



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Motorcycle Training

- **AR 385-55, Appendix B is the source**
- **One-time requirement to complete an approved course**
- **Proof of completion means a card or certificate**
- **Army-approved means it follows the Motorcycle Safety Foundation program as a minimum**
- **Any questions about what's approved, call Safety**



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Local Motorcycle Safety Training

- **If you can't prove completion of an approved course, you can go locally.**
- **Both the basic and advanced courses are available from area vendors (\$100).**
- **Safety will pay tuition, if you bring a signed training request (DD form 1556) from the unit/activity to the Safety Office before the training, followed by proof of completion.**
- **You can also enroll on your own for the course and pay the \$100.00 out of pocket.**



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Required Protective Equipment

- **On Fort Lewis, each motorcycle operator must wear the following while driving a motorcycle on-post:**
 - **Properly fastened Helmet, DOT approved.**
 - **Eye protection (Clear goggles/Face shield).**
 - **Clothing (long sleeve shirt, long pants, and full-fingered gloves).**
 - **High visibility garments (bright color for day and retro-reflective for nights).**
 - **Footwear (over the ankle shoes).**
- **Off-post, the requirements still apply to soldiers.**



Other Requirements

- **Government and privately owned motorcycles registered at Fort Lewis must have two rearview mirrors (one mirror on each side).**
- **Motorcycles and mopeds operating on Fort Lewis must have their headlights turned on at all times.**
- **The use of headphones or earphones while driving a motorcycle or moped at Fort Lewis is prohibited.**



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Motorcycle Safety Assistance

- **For Further Assistance, Please call or visit the Fort Lewis Safety Office, Bldg 2007A, (MS 66).**
- **Commercial: 253-967-3079/6764**
- **DSN: 357-3079/6764**
- **FAX: 253-967-396**